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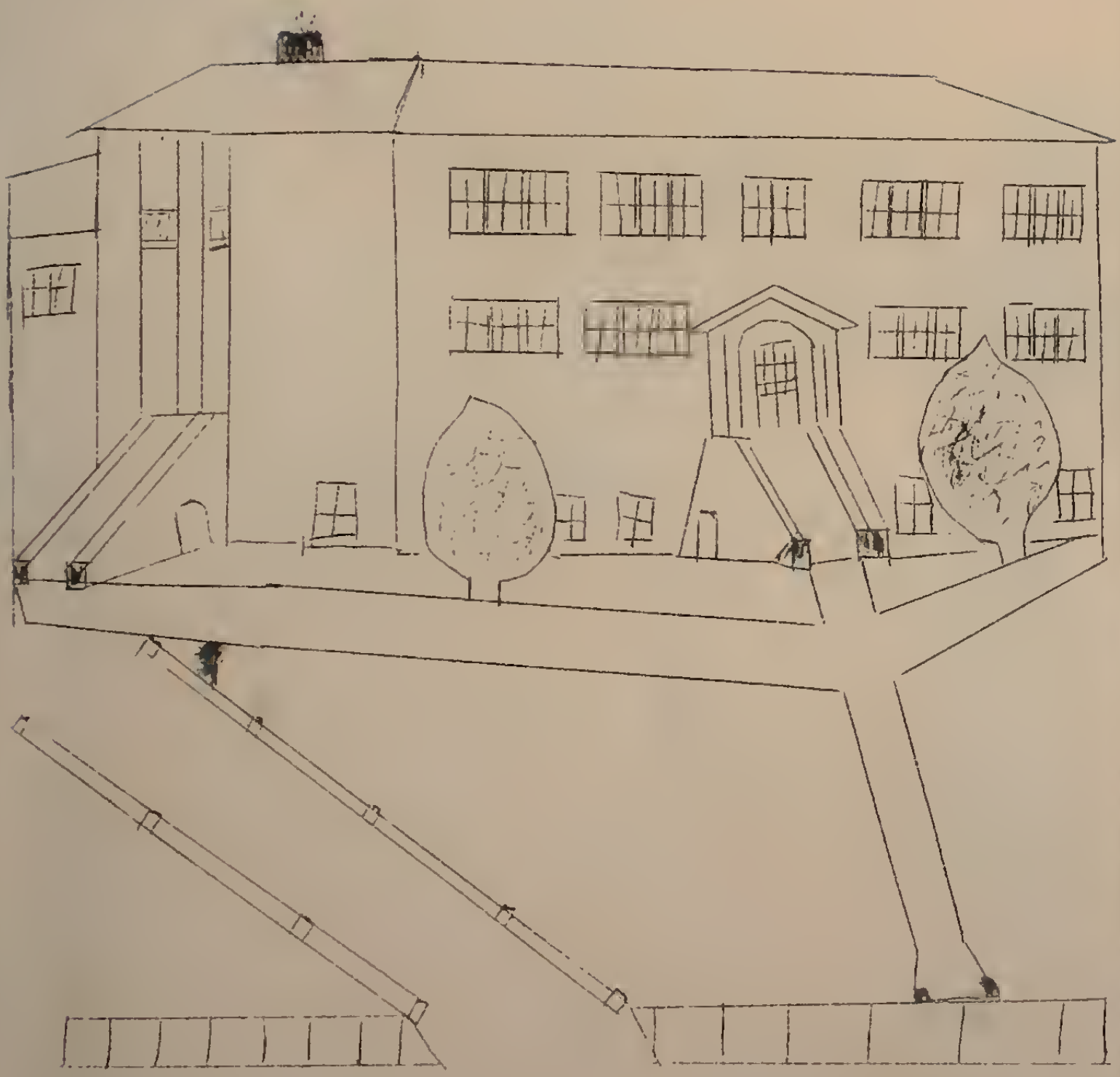
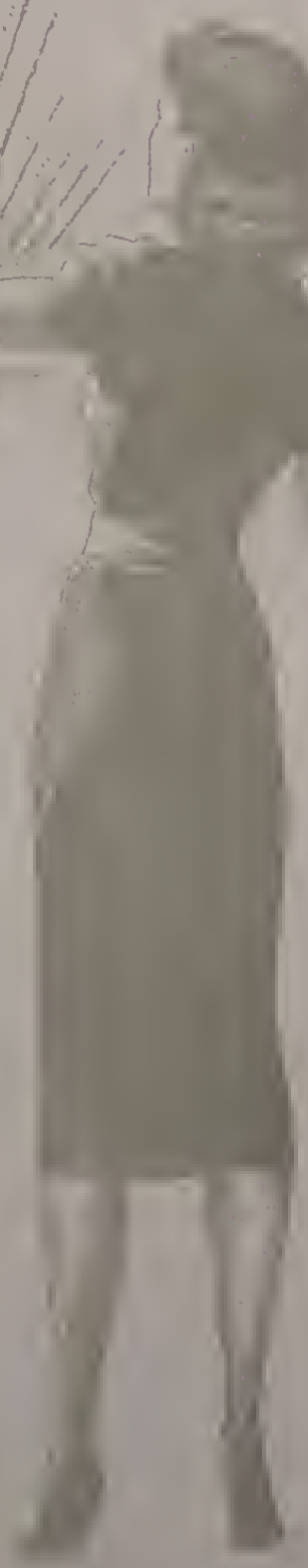


Walter Reynolds

Upon an antique ceiling of Jupiter King of the Gods



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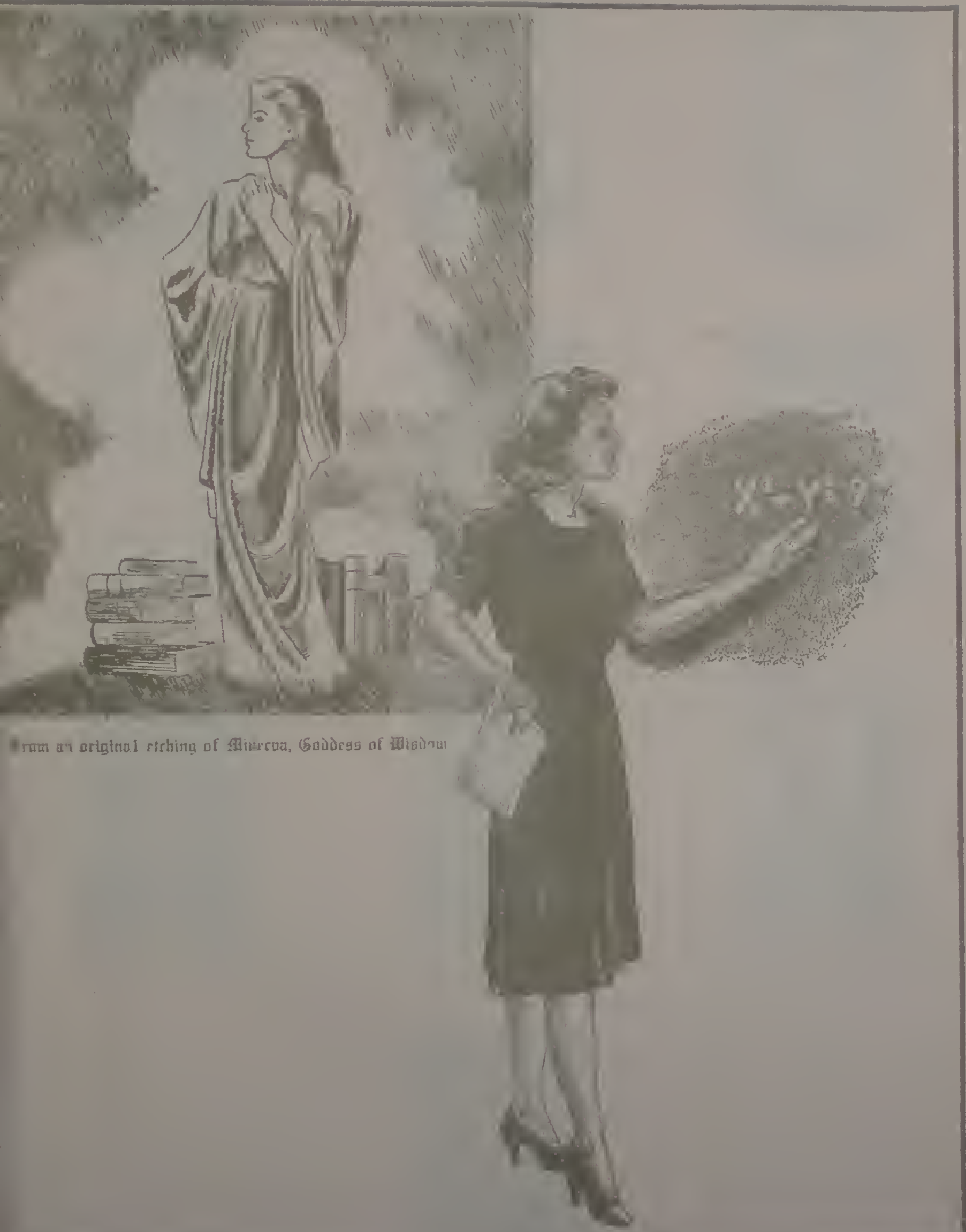
It is with love and appreciation that we dedicate our first yearbook to our principal, Mr. Roy L. Litchfield, who is not only our instructor, but our friend.



rom an original etching of Minerva, Goddess of Wisdom

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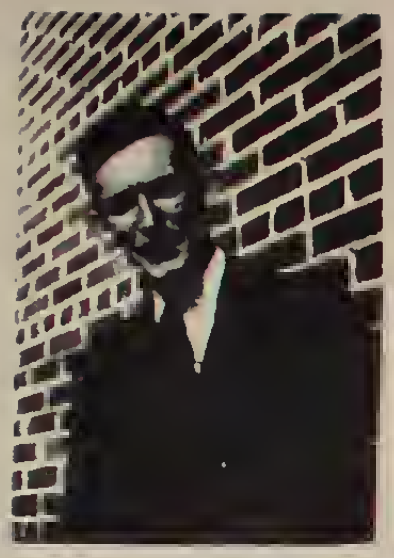

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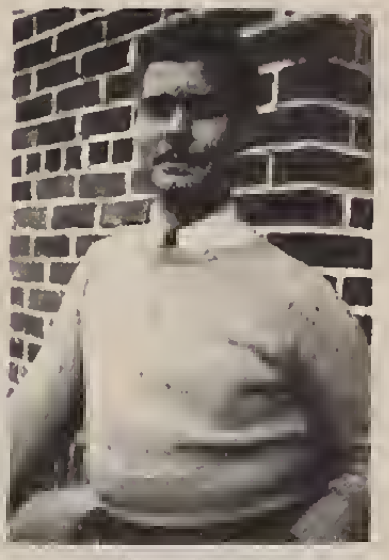
Principal

Miss Lortense Boomer

Miss Irma Walker

Miss Eloise Gibbs



Mr. Wallace West

Miss Marguerite Averett

Mr. V. H. Durrance

Miss Catherine Walker

Mrs. Herbert Chappell

SENIORS

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Vice-President

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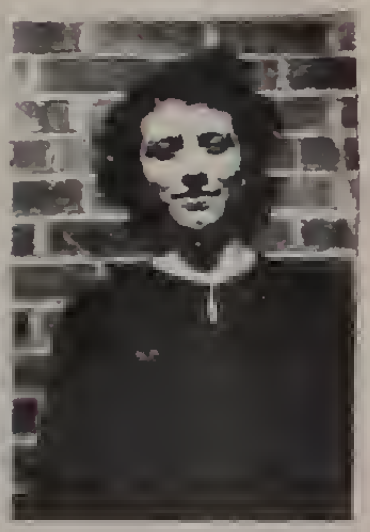
Secretary

Emma Sue Snell
Treasurer

Virginia Alexander



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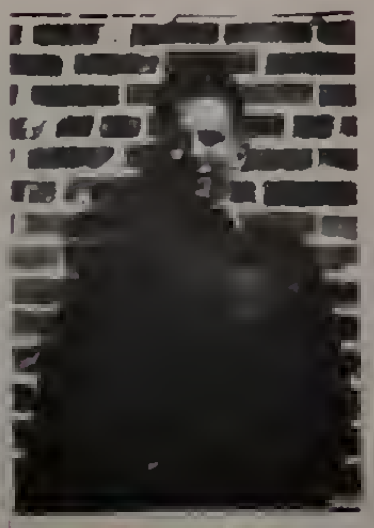

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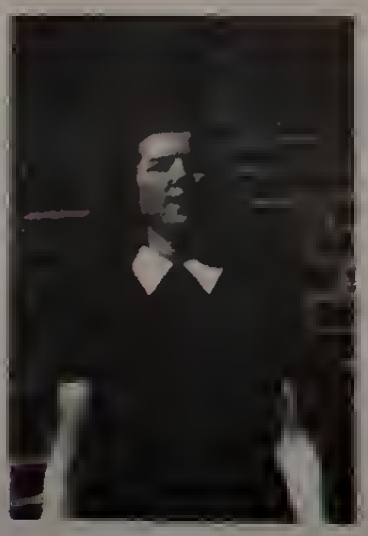
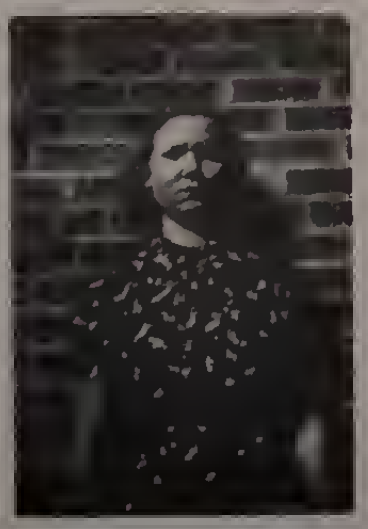


Mildred West



Melva Jane White

Margaret Alecia Cohoon
Mascot

The Class Poem

Our high school days are all but gone,
And parting time is drawing near;
We stop and think of all we've done
In the years that we've been here.

We have tried to do the best we knew;
We have striven for high and noble things,
And now that our days here are nearly thru'
Our parting song, it is time to sing.

We bid farewell, we wish you luck,
We think no harm can come to you;
You too will be seniors full of pluck;
After which life will start anew.

Doris Craddock, Poet.

HISTORY of the CLASS of 1941

Chapter I
Fifty New Freshmen Enter Columbia High School

In September 1937 fifty nine bewildered freshmen trudged up the unfamiliar steps to the new world of High School. It was entirly different from what they had been having.

Their advisors were Miss Eloise Gibbs and Mr. Pat Duncan, since the class had to be divided. Mr. Crutchfield, then the principal, helped a great deal in straightening out their problems and gave them some excellent and well meant advice.

In the first part of the year, the sience teacher, Miss Gibbs, formed a Hiking Club which was enjoyed by several. There were many entertainments such as weiner roasts and other gala affairs.

Chapter II
Sophomores at Last

In the fall of 1938 these same boys and girls, decreased in number and bewilderment, started again in their long struggle for knowledge. Again they were divided into two groups under the guidance of Mr. Wallace West and Mrs. Herman Cottle. This was a mighty proud group for now they were at last those lordly sophomores.

Chapter III
Jolly Juniors!

Then came the fall of 1939. Juniors at last! It was really hard to believe. The class had diminished so that the two groups were brought together under the guidance of Miss Irma Walker. This decrease was caused by trials of the Freshman and Sophomore years, which most met with high courage and endeavor. Also, some had been bitten by the love bug which resulted in matrimony, and some had moved away. Their first act was the election of officers, mascot and grade parents. Ernest Chesson, Jr. was elected president, Catherine Hollis, vice-president; Sterlyn Cooper, secretary; and Juanita Voliva, treasurer. Mr. Ernest Chesson and Mrs. I. A. Cooper were grade parents with Polly Hopkins as mascot.

The most important event of the year was the Junior-Senior banquet. The Seniors returned this favor with a much enjoyed weiner roast.

Chapter IV
The Long Hoped For- Seniors and Graduation

With the coming of the fall of 1940 came a still smaller group but where it had diminished in number it had increased in dignity. Now they were the dignified Seniors of good old Columbia High. They were very fortunate in getting Miss Hortense Boomer to advise and direct them through all their hardships and difficulties of their most im-

portant year.

Mr. Ernest Chesson and Mrs. I. A. Cooper were again our grade-parents. Margaret Alecia Cohoon was their mascot. The class officers were: J. E. Norris, president; Ernest Chesson, Jr., vice-president; Grace Gibbs, secretary; and Emma Sue Snell, treasurer.

The most important and outstanding event of the term was the Senior play entitled,"Antics of Andrew" which went over with a bang!

Another important event was the organizing of a student patrol and introducing it into the school. There are many hopes that it will succeed.

The Junior-Senior banquet given the Seniors on March 21 was a much looked for event. There is certainly no question as to the delightful time those present received. This favor was returned by an equally entertaining occasion.

Joyfully yet sorrowfully they have reached the end of this journey and beginning on a much longer and difficult one. What is to be found on this journey is difficult for anyone so inexperienced to say. But there is one fact known, a great deal has been accomplished in this journey that has been completed.

Senior Superlatives

Most intelligent girl- Mary Catherine Reynolds

Most intelligent boy- Ernest Chesson, Jr.

Most popular girl- Sterlyn Cooper

Most popular boy- Fontress Simmons

Best looking girl- Emma Sue Snell

Best looking boy- Graham Liverman

Most athletic girl- Ruby Mann

Most athletic boy- J. E. Norris

Best all round girl- Mildred Sawyer

Best all round boy- Ernest Chesson, Jr.

Best dressed girl- Grace Gibbs

Best dressed boy- Roy Smith

Last Will abd Testament of the Class of 1941

The Class of 1941 being of sound mind but realizing that its days in Columbia High School are numbered,declares this to be its last will and testament and that any previous will is null and void

Article I Section II
To the Tyrrell County Board of Education we give thanks for eleven years of education in Columbia High School.

Article I Section II
To the faculty of Columbia High School we leave our love and a deep appreciation for their instruction,advice and friendship.

Article I Section III
To the Junior we leave our position as seniors and the dignity necessary to uphold the said position. To the we leave also our advisor, Miss Boomer who will help them in whatever they have to do.

Article I Section IV
To the sophomore class we bequeath our calmness and serenity and poise. We think they may need these qualities more than any other class we know of except ourselves.

ArticleI Section V
To the freshman class we leave our colors,blue and gold,and our motto,"God First,Others Second,Self Last."

Article II Section I
I,J.E.Norris,give to the new editor of the Columbian all the cares,worries and plain hard work connected with that editorship.

Article II Section II
I,Ernest Chesson,Jr.,bequeath to next years editor of theannual

all the worries that are likely to put me under the care of a psychiatrist ere long. J.E. and I direct that any money left in the class treasury shall be used to purchase headache powders for next years editors.

Article II SectionIII
I,Mary Catherine Reynolds,bequeath to Allen Adams my ability to learn French and hope it will help him in this subject this coming year.

Article II Section IV
I,Ruby Mann,leave to Katheryne Morris my atheletic ability and hope she will succeed in all the atheletics she undertakes.

Article II Section V
I,Emma Sue Snell,bequeath to Iris Mae Hassell my good looks,and neat appearance.

Article II Section VI
I,Creston Simmons,bequeath my pretty black hair to Melvin Pledger, better known as"Nubbin".Maybe this will help him to attract more girls.

Article II Section VII
I,Virginia Alexander,leave my small stature to Fannie Etheridge. I hope that she will use this to the best advantage.

Article II Section VIII
I,Hodges Davenport,bequeath to Stephen Davenport my baldness.Maybe he will not be so bashful hereafter.

Article II Section IX
I,Fred Smith,leave to Thomas Yerby my quiet and peaceful disposition with the of it improving his ways in the halls.

Article II Section X
I,Ronel Reynolds, leave to Albin Hamilton my height fo I feel he has need of it more than any one else in the school.

Article II Section XI
I,Ruth Bateman,will my winning ways to Nova Mae Brickhouse.

Article II Section XII
To Clara Mae Brickhouse ,I,Aline Nooney,leave both my disposition and popularity.

Article II Section XIII
I,Sterlyne Cooper,leave to Mary Alice Cohoon my class popularity. With both hers and mine combined she should be the most popular Senior of '42.

Article II Section XIV
I,Mildred Sawyer,bequeath my pretty complexion and calmness to Norma Lee Spencer. With my complexion and her hair she should be a good combination.

Article II Section XV
I,Mildred West,will to Patti Simmons my size and curly hair.

Article II Section XVI
To Juanita Brickhouse,I,Vera Swain,bequeath my shyness and self-control.

Article II Section XVII
I,Margret Bateman,leave my vivacity to Juanita Reynolds.

Article II Section XVIII
I,Edwina Hathaway,bequeath my tall,slender figure to Rebbecca Gibbs.

Article II Section XIX
I,Martha Rhodes,will my good behavior to Winton Ward.

Article II Section XX
To Jimmie Knight and Hal Chaplin,I,Huron Veliva leave my way with the women.

Article II Section XXI
I,Graham Liverman,bequeath to Francis liverman my good looks.

Article II Section XXII
I,Doris Craddock,leave my stately manner to Jean Chaplin.

Article II Section XXIII
To Henry Joe Liverman,I,Gladys Snell,bequeath my noisy and mischaivious ways.

Article II Section XXIV
I,Seldon Cooper,leave my quietness and willingness to study to Norman Knight.

Article II Section XXV
I,Edith Spruill,leave my Mae West curves to Thelma Weatherly.

Article II Section XXVI
I,Melva Jane White,will my personality to Helen Liverman.

Article II Section XXVII
I,Fentress Simmons,leave my class popularity to Charles Jarvis.

Article II Section XXVIII
I,Edna Norman,leave to Donnie Gray Swain my trim and neat appearence.

Article II Section XXIX

I, Grace Gibbs, bequeath to Clara Mae Davenport my interest in the Junior Class.

Article III Section I

We do hereby appoint Mr. R.L. Litchfield as executor of this our last will and testament.

Signed and sealed under our hand this twenty-ninth day of April in this year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred forty one.

[illegible] Testator

J. E. Morris Jr. Witness

Ernest Cherron Witness

Ruby Anne Mann
Grace Gibbs
Martha Irene Rhodes
Edwina Hathaway
Edith Spruell
Harper Davenport
Emma Sue Snell
Bladys Snell
Roy Smith
Seldon Cooper
Aline Tooney
Ernest Cherron
Ira Swain
Sterlyn Cooper
Mildred Sawyer
Wyham Lineman
J. E. Morris Jr.
Ruth E. Peterson
Margaret Bateman
Virginia Alexander
Melva Jane White
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PROPHECY OF THE CLASS OF 1941
EMMA SUE SNELL

Last night I lay gazing wistfully out of my window at the millions of stars that gleamed in the sky. As I gazed on their brightness, I thought about an old and beautiful story that my grandmother told me many years ago. She told me that the brightest star in the sky was the wishing star and that it was the home of a good fairy who could grant three wishes to any good child that believed in her. Many times in my childhood I had wished on this star, and in my dreams the fairy queen visited with me more than once.

How I wished that I could go back across the years and be a child again. I fell to wondering, as odd will do, what I would do if my dream could come true. What would I wish for? And suddenly, I knew. I would inquire of the good fairy just what the future would hold for my classmates and then I'd ask success and happiness for each of them.

As I lay thus communing with myself, my eyes seemed somehow to be drawn to the great planet, Venus that hung like a golden lamp suspended from the heavens. Its light became blinding and presently the whole world seemed bathed in its light. Soon I heard a voice speak softly: "Thy wishes shall be granted. What is your wish?"

I looked about me in wonder and saw beside me a lovely creature dressed in misty blue robes. It was the wishing fairy. I thought of my three wishes and decided to find out about the future of my classmates.

When I had stated my wish the fairy told me to keep looking into her star and there I might read the fate of each of my friends. I gazed as she directed and soon these words appeared: "Margaret Bateman will start to college but will not like it. She will marry soon and with her husband and little son will travel over the United States and many foreign countries.

I glanced away, and when I looked back I saw a picture of a girl and boy. They were standing in the door of a large building with tickets in one hand and money in the other. I recognized Edwina Hathaway and Walter Reynolds. The fairy said : " Edwina will her childhood sweetheart and they will become rich owners of a theater in the thriving city of Killkenny."

The scene slowly changed and merged into another, and I saw a great crowd of people seated in a great auditorium. On the stage were two familiar figures. The soft voice said, "Yes, that is Ernest Chesson and Mary Catherine Reynolds. They will graduate from U.N.C. with the highest honors ever accorded a student there. Then Ernest Jr. will become one of the world's foremost authors, and Mary Catherine will before long become the youngest president of Smith College."

As this scene changed, I heard a whirring sound and looking once more I beheld an airplane about to take off. Peering from the windows were the smiling faces of Ruth Bateman and Virginia Alexander dressed in the most attractive uniforms I have ever seen. The fairy told me

that these girls would become the first hostesses to fly from New York to Singapore and that a life of adventure and romance was in store for them.

I blinked my eyes,for by this time I was beginning to be a bit dazed. When I opened them again I was in the midst of a great jungle. I heard shouts and above all the noise of that wild and uncivilized place I heard one familiar voice. That voice could belong to none other than John Ernest Norris Jr. Soon I saw him with his hands full of instruments of some kind. The fairy explained that J.E. would become a great engineer and the scene I was seeing showed him building the long awaited bridge across the Pacific Ocean. It will connect Panama and Austrailia.

Again the scene changed and I saw palm trees swaying and orange trees laden with their golden fruit. I saw a tall handsome man walking with a lovely girl and with them were two small children. The star fairy said in answer to my inquiring glance:"That is Fentress Simmons and his family. He will marry a girl from Creswell. They will make their home in Florida and their home will be blessed with twins, Joan and Jane."

The next time I looked into the star I saw a small room in a hospital. A patient was in bed and over the bed leaned a sweet faced nurse with blond hair. She looked up and smiled at the approach of a young man in a white uniform. I recognized the nurse at once. No one but Vera Swain had hair like that. I had to look again at the doctor and the fairy said,"Don't you remember Creston Simmons? He and Vera will work together at John Hopkin's Hospital, Where they will a cure for cancer and leprosy, thus winning the gratitude of all the world."

The scene that followed was one we often see. It was the inside of a school building. Before a large class stood a tall slender girl. She was teaching girls how to sew. She turned and I recognized myself. The spirit said,"You will realize your life's ambition. You will teach Home Economics in the new school that will be built at Columbia before long." I was overjoyed and turned to thank her but she motioned me to look again. The scene was the same school but the girl was different. This time I saw the face of Gladys Snell. She seemed very happy in her science labratory which for Columbia seemed very well equipped.

By this time I was getting to the place where nothing surprised me any longer. So I took it quite calmly when upon looking again into the star I saw the handsome features of Graham Liverman smiling out at me. He was standing in the midst of a great crowd of people. I was puzzled at first for the people were thrusting pencils and scraps of paper at him. So the star fairy told me that Graham, because of his good looks, would take the place of not only Clark Gable but of Errol Flynn,Robert Taylor and Tyrone Power in the hearts of the feminine half of the U.S. "But",she said,"Graham does not like women any better than when he used to go to school in Columbia. He will be a most unfortunate man for he will be pursued by women of all ages. He will be the John barrymore of your generation."

I turned away contemplating the sad fate of Graham but the twinkling of the wishing star drew my attention. This time I found myself in an exclusive dress shop. Stately models were parading before fashionable ladies,and graceful ones were gliding up and down the aisles. Among them I saw Grace Gibbs,the best dressed girl in the Senior class. She was the most beautiful model of them all and seemed to be in demand

everywhere. Soon an elegantly dressed and handsome young man came and asked for her. The good fairy said,"That is young Mr. Vanderbilt Rockefeller Gotrox. You may draw your own conclusions as to Grace's future. But what it will mean to a certain fellow down in Tyrrell County is going to be very sad indeed."

"Now", said the fairy," I am going to show you a contrast." I looked and saw a great mansion. Coming down the steps was a meek little man and an older woman who is evidently the boss. After a while I saw that the man was Roy Smith. The fairy said that the woman was his wife whom he had married for her money. Now that they were married the old woman was very jealous of Roy and wouldn't let him call his soul his own. I suppose I looked skeptical knowing Roy as I thought I knew him. However the fairy said,"That is Roy's future. Look now at Huron Voliva's." I looked and saw Huron seated before the fire reading a Magazine. On the rug before the fire lay a big dog and on a cushioned chair close by a grey cat curled contentedly. Huron evidently was a most contented bachelor. After thinking it over I came to the conclusion that he had chosen better than Roy even Though I certainly didn't approve of his choice either.

I was now very much excited to be sure. I looked eagerly every time the scene changed. I saw next a group of well kept houses on the outskirts of town. Going in and out of the houses were many children and occasionally a very attractive young matron. The fairy said that here would live several of my classmates who would marry and would be busy with their homes and children. Doris Braddock would become Mrs. Richard Cooper,,Edna Norman will soon be Mrs. Gerald Alexander, Jane White will marry a boy from South Mills. Mildred Sawyer will be Mrs. Jack Leathers. All these girls will live in this pleasant little town where they will enjoy gossiping over bridge tables and telling each other how to bring up their families.

Naturally,I was overjoyed to know that so many of my classmates were so happily settled in life. But I wondered about Sterlyn Cooper and Aline Nooney who had been so popular in high school. Surely they too would be married long before this. The fairy seemed to read my mind for she said,"No, neither Sterlyn nor Aline will marry. Sterlyn will never find a man who will be able to take her mind off Thomas,her true love who will lose his life in the war against germany in 1943. Aline will try many things. She will first try music and will make some success as an organist. Then she will try teaching but will not like that. Finally she will take up cosmetology. However she will always cherish a secret desire to have a little home where she can cook the food she will be able to get at the A&P stores at wholesale prices."

Somewhat disappointed I looked again deep into the wishing star. I saw a stately building with a great dome. Inside this building an impressive ceremony was going on. Seated on a rostrum were many men.The fairy was ready with an explanation. "That handsome kindly looking man in the center is the future governor of N.C.,the Hon. Fred Smith. He will do more for public education than any other governer the state has had. The tall distinguished looking man on the right is the future Senator Seldon Cooper and the distinguished

looking man on the left is Judge Ronel M. Reynolds, Chief Justice of the N.C. supreme court. The you see is the inauguration of Governor Smith as it will be twenty years hence."

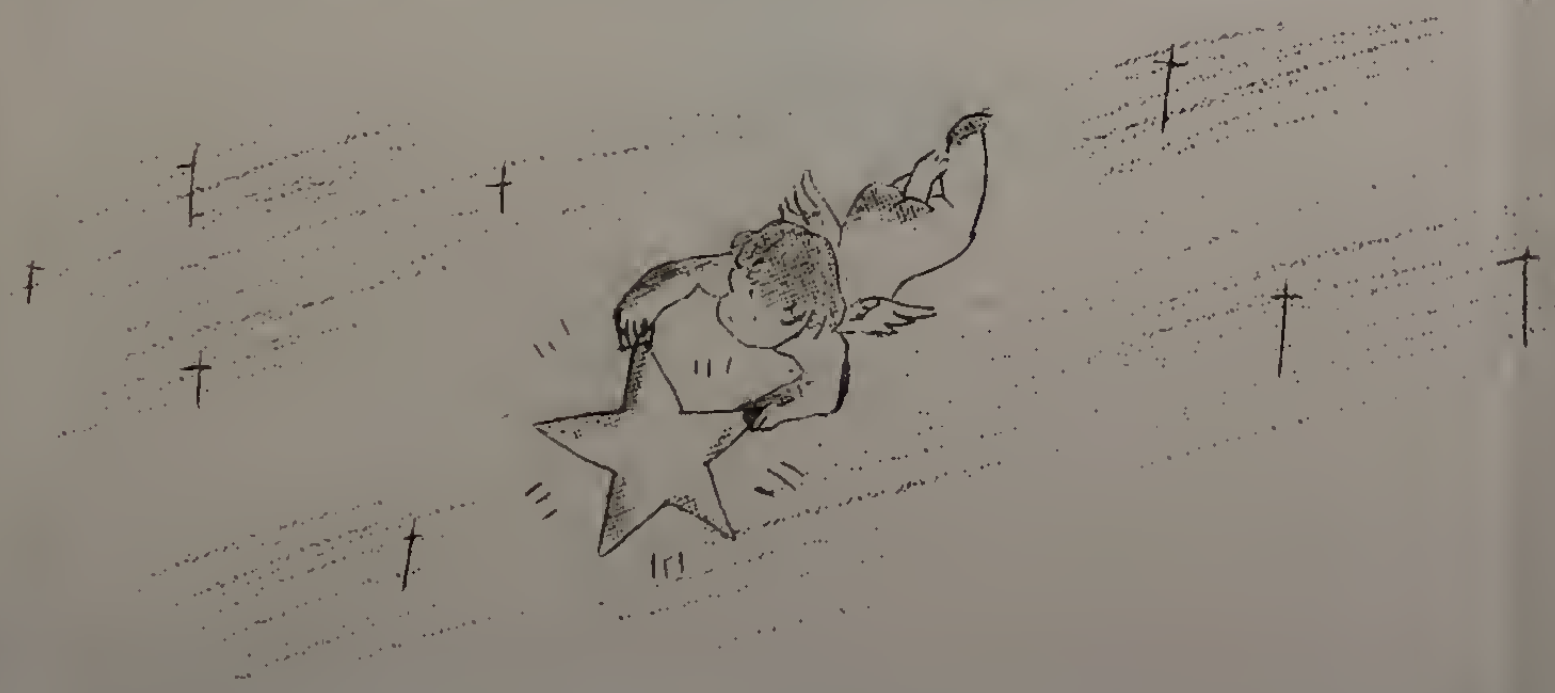
Again the scene faded and grew dim and then merged into another, I saw a great stadium and a crowd of people whose cheers rent the air. I wondered what they were shouting for but I soon saw Ruby Mann the most athletic girl in the class, come out in front of the grand stand and take a bow. The fairy told me that Ruby would continue her athelotic career and would excell in many sports not just one as is generally the case. She said that she would finally win all the trophies at the Olympic Games in 1950."However, all the glory will be empty for Ruby's heart is in Creswell with a boy that won't propose and Ruby, for all her athelotic ability is too shy to do it herself."

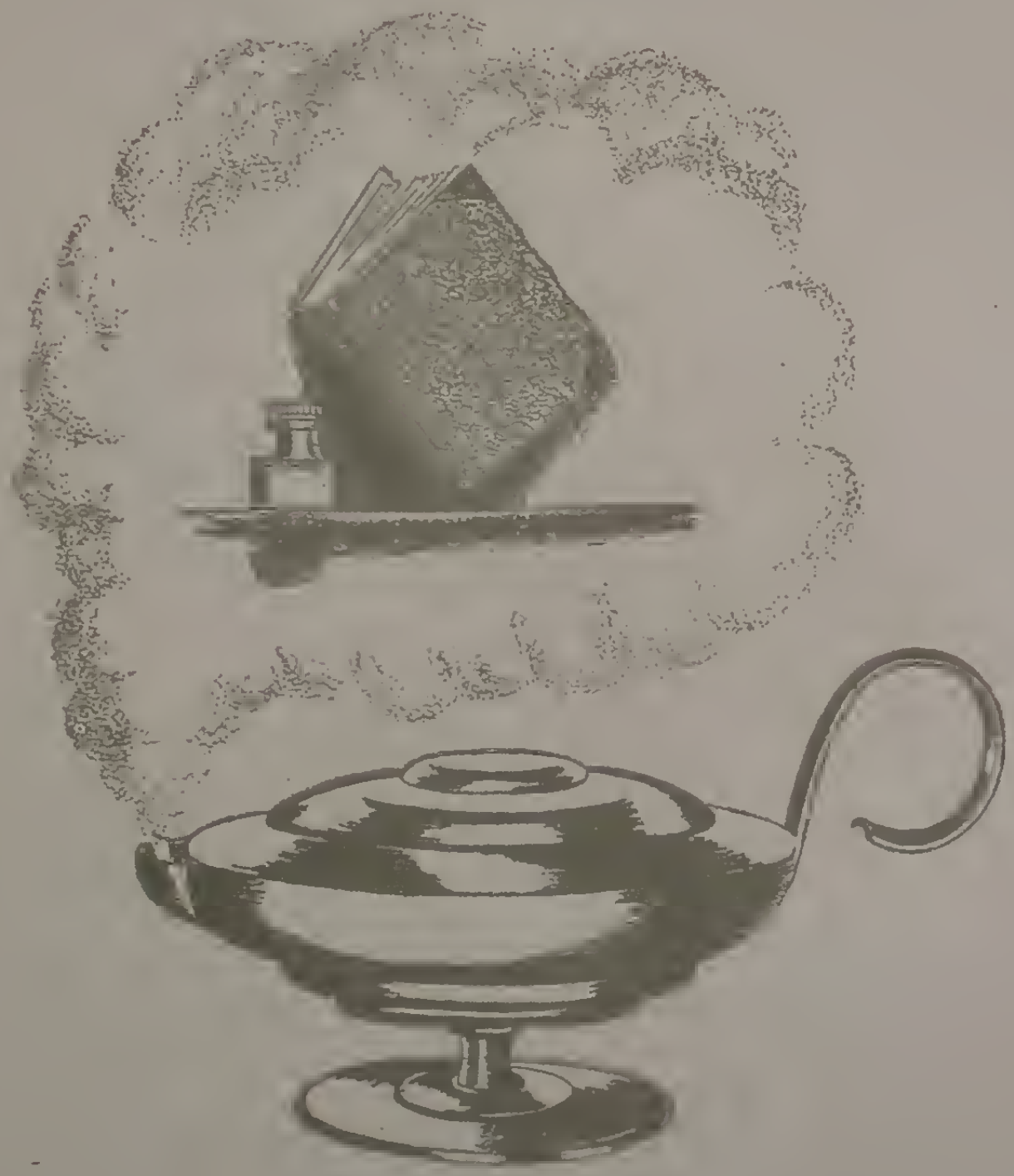
"Now," said the fairy,"My time is growing short. The dawn is coming and I must go. I can show you no more."

"Wait,"I implored. "What about Hodges Davenport and Martha Rhodes and Mildred West and Edith Spruill?"

"Hodges," She replied,"will graduate at Auburn, Alabama and become a great veternarian. He will travel with Barnum and bailey's circus and treat their polar bears for heat strokes. Martha will be the owner of the Matson line and spend many years og her life traveling over the world. As for Mildred West she will eventually take the place of Hattie Carnegie as the foremost fashion designer of the U.S. Paris will no longer be the fashion center of the world; she will make it Columbia instead, for here is where she will set up her business. She will be so good that women from all over the world will come to her. Edith will design hats. She will replace Lily Dache. She and Mildred will Work together."

I looked and lo! the star was fading,the fairy was gone, and dawn was coming over the hills. But the memory of what I had seen and heard was with me still and I knew that my wish had indeed come true. I knew too, that my other wishes were in vain. That happiness would not come to my classmates thru my wishes but that each one of them must make happiness for himself in his own way.

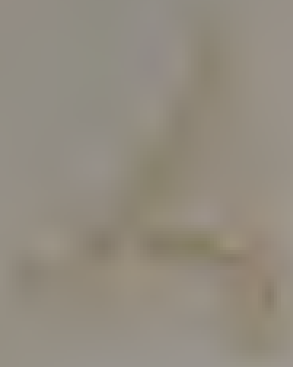




JUNIORS

Allen Adams
Ronald Ainsley
Wilma Alexander
Juanita Brickhouse
James Brinn
Dalton Cohoon, Jr.
Mary Alice Cohoon
Willis Cooper, Jr.
Clara Mae Davenport
Stephen Davenport
Thomas Davenport
Alethia Etheridge
Ira Gray
Albin Hamilton
Samuel Holloway
Grace Jackson
Wesley Jackson
Charles Jarvis
Norman Knight
Elmer Liverman
Henry Joe Liverman
Mary Liverman
Nancy Meekins
Kathryne Morris
Joseph Norcum
Delmar Owens
Helen Pennington
Steenie Rhodes
W.A. Rhodes
Norman Smith
Martha Snell
Haywood Spruill
Ralph Sykes
Winston Sykes
Burvil Voliva
Marvin Voliva
Sarah Weatherly

Jane and Jacqueline Harris
Junior Mascots



SOPHOMORES

The Sophomore Class

Left to right: first row, Dan Davis, Dorothy Brickhouse, Clara Mae Brickhouse, Hazel Etheridge, Patti Simmons; second row, Margaret Brickhouse, Mae Sawyer, Eva Mae Davenport, Statha Alexander; third row, Marjorie Spruill, Tillie Norris, Beulah Tweedy, Ruth Holidia, Nora Pratt; fourth row, Walter Reynolds, Dorothy Hamilton, Augusta Furlough, Mrs. Herman Cottle, teacher, and Fanny Etheridge.

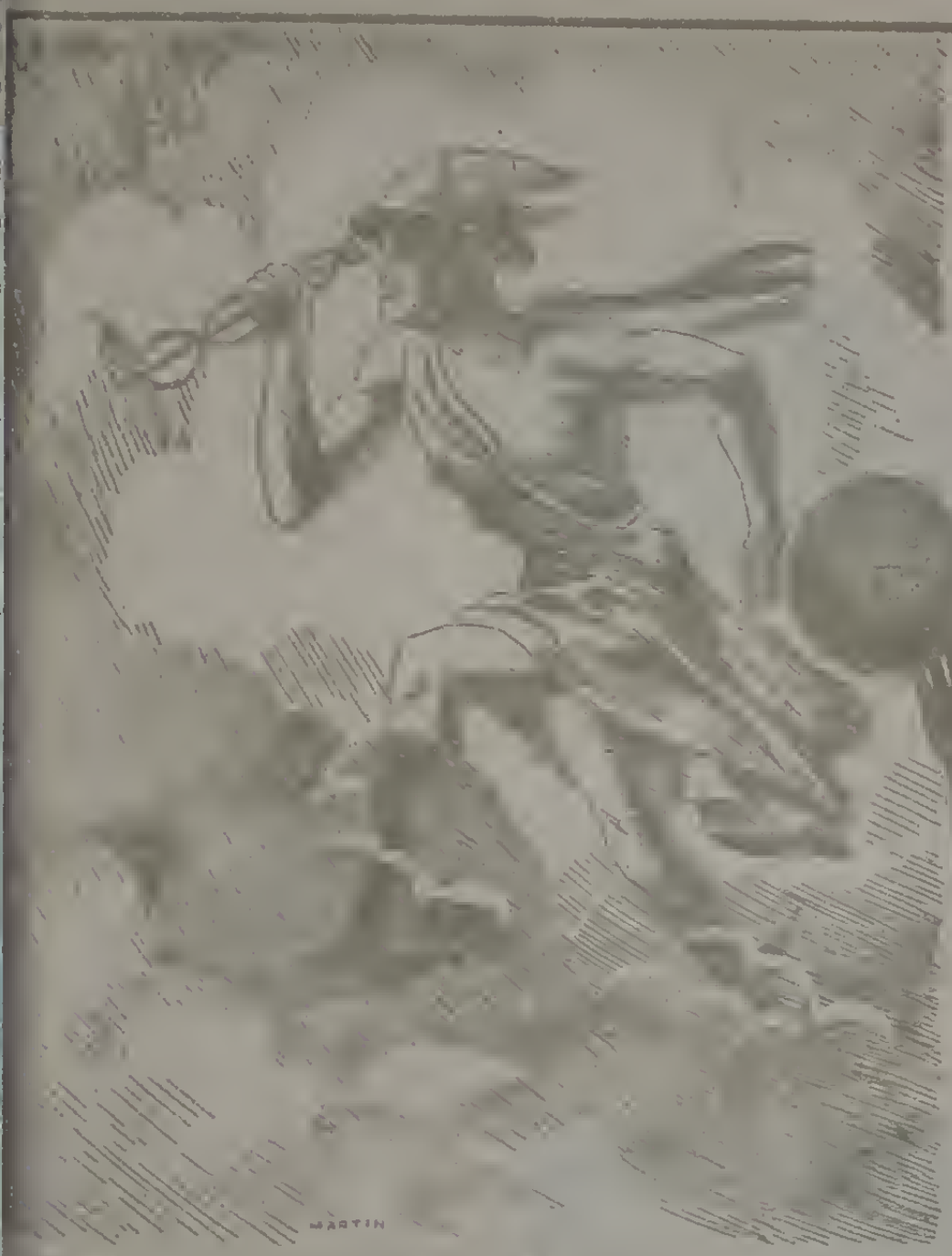
Left to right: first row, Jean Chaplin, A. K. Spencer, Doris Dillon, Rebecca Gibbs; second row, Thomas Yerby, Norma Lee Spencer, Carolyn Alexander, Melba Rhodes, Madeline Phelps; third row, Howard Davenport, Ted Cohoon, Juanita Reynolds, Geneveive Weatherly, Rebecca Brickhouse, Mary Jane Swain; fourth row, Robert O'neal, Franklin Harrell, Floyd Hollis, Miss Eloise Gibbs, teacher; fifth row, Clarence Roughton, and Warren Bateman.

FRESHMEN

The Freshman Class

Left to right: first row, Hazel Ambrose, Violet Sawyer, Elsie Lee West, Florence Davenport, Earl Rhodes; second row, Iris Mae Hassell, Marjorie Pennington, Hal Chaplin, Marion Adams, Floyd Morris; third row, Mavie West, Ethel Craddock, Julia Ward, Hulda Hassell, Colon Cooper; fourth row, Edna Lee Spruill, Roderick Reynolds, Darrell Spruill, Aubrey Grimsley; fifth row, Harper Woodard, Jr., and Mr. Wallace West, teacher.

Left to right: first row, Parker Harris, Evelyn Pledger, Helen Liverman, Alton Ainsley, Betty Harrell; second row, Donnie Gray Swain, Marganette Davis, Neva Mae Brickhouse, Sarah Liverman; third row, Marvin Sawyer, Patti Snall, Nona Etheridge, Blonnie Chesson, Jimmy Knight; fourth row, Vernon Brickhouse, Onnie Ward, Edmond Brickhouse, R.L. Spruill; fifth row, Melvin Pledger, and Melvin Furlough.



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ATHLETICS

The Football Team

Clarence Roughton, right end; Warren Bateman, right tackle; Ronald Ainsley, right guard; Steenie Rhodes, center; Shelton Brickhouse, left guard; Francis Liverman, left tackle; Royce Rhodes, left end; Wallace West, coach; Melvin Pledger, fullback; Haywood Spruill, right half-back; Winston Sykes, left half-back; Samuel Holloway, quarter-back and Albin Hamilton, manager.

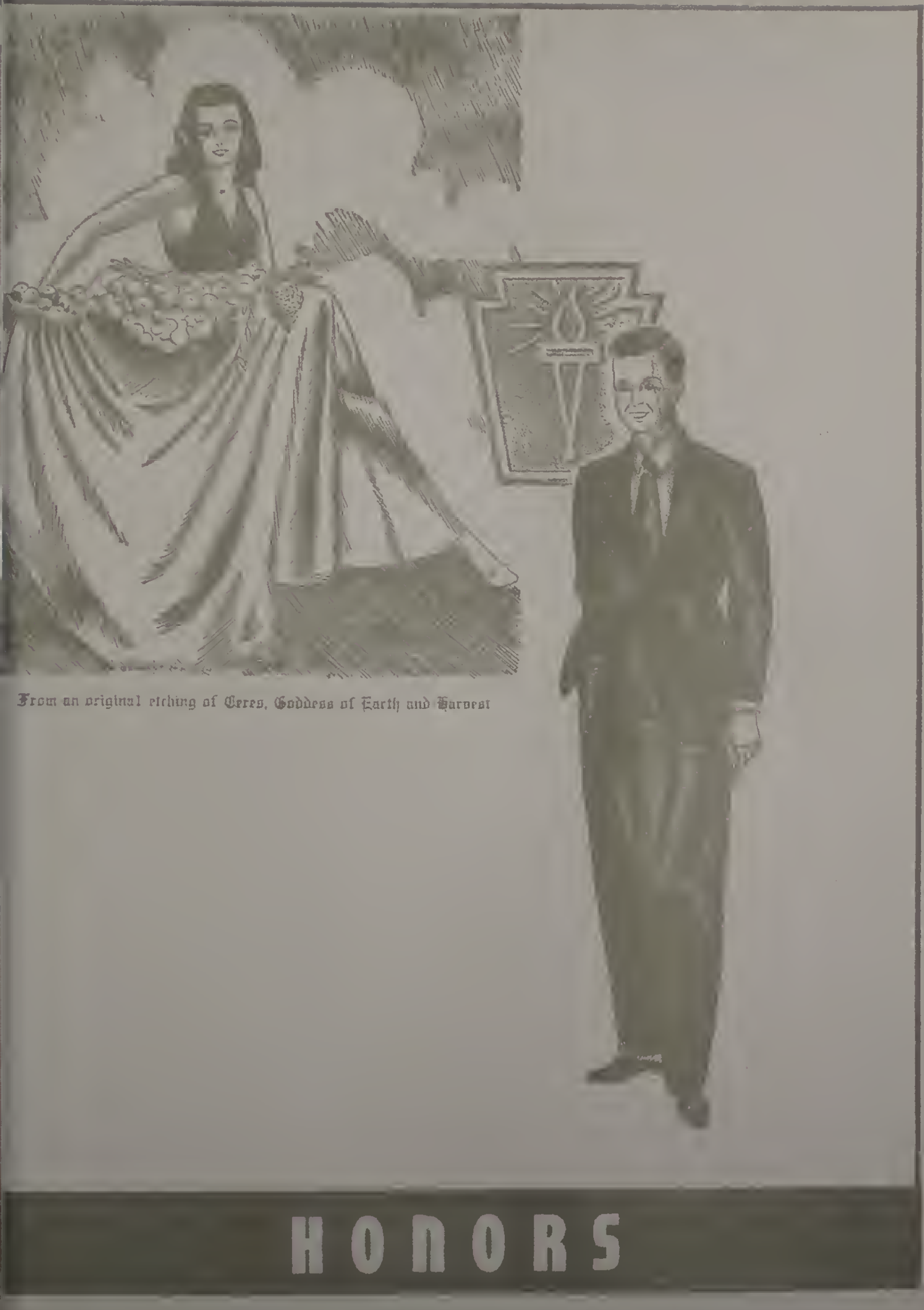
The Junior Football Team

Dennis Combs, Jr., right end; Norman Knight, right tackle; Ira Gray, right guard; Walter Reynolds, center; Gerald Alexander, left guard; Willis Cooper, Jr., left tackle; Charles Jarvis, left end; Grady Ward, fullback; Joseph Norcum, right half-back; Elmer Liverman, left half-back; Harper Woodard, Jr., quarterback; substitutes: Joe Liverman, Harvey Spencer, Alden Garrett, Warren Roughton, Dan Alexander, Lewis Voliva, Fred Cohoon, John Eason, Herbert Liverman, Max Floyd Haymon, and Parker Harris.

Boy's Basketball Team
Jimmy Brinn,forward;
J.E.Norris,center;
Sam Holloway,guard;
Charles Jarvis,guard;
Marvin Sawyer,forward;
Albin Hamilton,guard;
Winston Sykes,manager;
Wallace West,coach.

Girls Basketball Team
Carolyn Alexander, guard; Wilma Alexander, forward; Doris Craddock, forward; Mary Alice Cohoon forward; Nancy Meekins, forward; Ruby Mann, guard; Edith Spruill, guard; Tillie Norris, guard; Kathryn Morris, forward; Mary Liverman, guard; Sarah Liverman, forward; Sterlyn Cooper, guard.

Boy's Junior Basketball Team
Fred Cohoon, Dennis Combs, Jr., Edward Hamilton, Herbert Liverman, Albin Hamilton, A.K. Spencer, Charles Jarvis, Sam Holloway, Gerald Alexander, David Garrett, J.E. Norris, Coach Wallace West, Not pictured: Max Floyd Haymon, John Eason, Alden Garrett, Dan Alexander.



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Ernest Chesson, Jr.- Valedictorian

J. E. Norris, Jr.- Salutatorian

ATHLETICS

Royce Rhodes- Football

Samuel Holloway- Football

Haywood Spruill- Football

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Henry Joe Liverman- Oratorical Contest

J. E. Norris, Jr.- Debating

Delmar Owens- Debating

David Garrett- Alternate

Patti Simmons- Debating

Nancy Meekins- Debating

Mary Alice Cohoon- Alternate

MUSIC

Nancy Meekins- Singing

BETA CLUB

On December 10, 1937, a charter was granted to Columbia High School giving it permission to establish here a chapter of the National Honorary Beta Club. Our principal at that time, Mr. W. T. Crutchfield, was asked to sponsor it and Catherine Blake was president. The charter members were: Catherine Blake, Coralee Alexander, Faye Bateman, F. E. Cohoon, Jr., Marshall Swain, Isaac Reynolds, Avery Davenport, Esther Brickhouse, Nancy Davis, Ruth Owens, Lola Sawyer, Metsol Simmons, Braxton Veliva, Fanny Ward, and Earl Weatherly. Only Juniors and Seniors were eligible for membership.

Then in 1939 the club sponsor was changed to Miss Hortense Boomer. At this time the eligibility of membership changed and the Sophomores were eligible to become members. J. L. Snell, Jr. was president for the school year of 1939-'40.

In the fall of '40, the Beta Club began a new chapter in its history with J. E. Norris, Jr. as president. To help him he had Sam Holloway as vice-president, Nancy Meekins as secretary, and Juanita Brickhouse as treasurer. There were six old members. Thirteen more qualified people were invited to join. Of these ten joined. These included people from the Senior, Junior, ad Sophomore classes.

No one can imagine the fun we had in our initiation. Girls with on only one side of the face. Boys with their pants on backwards. Boys with makeup on, singing love songs to their teachers. It is almost impossible to describe the fun.

We planned to have social meetings on the first Monday in each month. Our business meetings were held on the Friday before our social meetings. In this way they didn't interfere with our fun.

Now, as we near the end of this chapter of our history, we realize how much value our sponsor, Miss Hortense Boomer, has been to us.

Finally, we realize the educational and social values of being members of this honorary society, The Beta Club.

Home Economics Club

The officers were elected at the last meeting of last year so that the new club could start early last fall under the direction of Mrs. [illegible]rbert Chappell.

The club meets once each week on Wednesday morning in the Home Economics department. Any student that is taking Home Economics or has taken the course in the past is eligible for membership.

The club made a cake and sold chances on it to make money for the club. It made three dollars and ninety cents. This money was used to pay for its page in the annual and also to give a party to the girls. This was given on Washington's birthday with a large number of girls present. They were permitted to invite someone.

They were unable to send delegates to the National Convention since the dates conflicted with other meetings. The Convention was held in Greenville, North Carolina.

During the last week in May there is a three day camp at White Lake and they are planning to take six delegates.

The last meeting of the year was on Wednesday morning, April 23 at which time the officers for the next year were elected.

Tillie Norris- President
Melba Rhodes- Vice-president
Eva Mae Davenport- Secretary-Treasurer

The Beta Club

Melba Rhodes
Norma Lee Spencer
Juanita Brickhouse
Thomas Yerby
Kathryn Morris
Mary Alice Cohoon
Nancy Meekins
Miss Hortense Bommer
Juanita Reynolds
J.E. Norris, Jr.
Mary Catherine Reynolds
Samuel Holloway
Howard Davenport
Norman Knight

The Home Economics Club

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Wilma Alexander
Doris Dillon
Hazel Etheridge
Thelma Weatherly
Statha Alexander
Patti Simmons
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Clara Mae Davenport
Edith Spruill
Helen Liverman
Jean Chaplin
Melba Rhodes
Elsie Lee West
Betty Harrell
Beulah Tweedy
Neva Mae Davenport
Helen Pennington
Etta Earle Hamilton
Alethia Etheridge
Tillie Norris
Patti Snell
Hazel Ambrose

COLUMBIA HIGH SCHOOL BAND

This year the band started out under the very able co-leadership of Miss Catherine Walker and Mr. C.L.McCullers. At the beginning of the year there were only 17 members remaining from last year and a drive was started to recruit new members to fill these vacancies. When the drive was ended there were ten prospective members registered, six of which became permanent members. They are;Marjoric Davenport, John Eason, Edward Hamilton, Dan Hassell, Joseph Rhodes, and Aubry Grimsley. Misses Peggy Roughton and Pat Everton were made new Drum Majorettes. This brought the total number of members to 25. With the backing of several civic organizations in the community the band is looking forward to a glorious future with the hope of bringing music into the lives of many boys and girls in the community.

The members in the band at present are:

Trumpets;Sam Holloway;Sally Bateman,Edward Hamilton,Dan Hassell,John Eason,Joseph Rhodes.
Clarinets;Thomas Yerby, Durwood Cooper, Majorie Davenport,Herbert Liverman.
Saxaphones;Hal Chaplin,Joe Laughinghouse, Ann Cohoon.
Trombones; J.E.Norris Jr,Roy Smith.
Baritone; Norman Knight.
Bass; Aubry Grimsley.
Drums; Joe Norcum, Tillie Norris, Florence Davenport.
Majorettes; Nan Chaplin, Katheryne Morris, Mary Alice Cohoon, Pat Everton, Peggy Roughton.
Directors; Mr. C.L.McCullers and Miss Catherine Walker.

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Glee Club

Left to right: first row, Carolyn Alexander, Jean Chaplin, Helen Liverman, Wilma Alexander, Kathryn Morris, Mary Alice Cohoon Nancy Meekins; second row, Beulah Tweedy, Hazel Etheridge, Betty Harrell, Hal Chaplin, Florence Davenport, Juanita Brickhouse; third row, Marjorie Spruill, Madeline Phelps, Sterlyn Cooper, Geneveive Weatherly, Jimmy Knight, Melba Rhodes, Elsie Lee West; fourth row, Rebecca Brickhouse, Edna Lee Spruill, Henry Joe Liverman, Margaret Bateman, Ruth Bateman, Haywood Spruill, Thelma Weatherly, Helen Pennington; fifth row, Samuel Holloway, Howard Davenport, Miss Kathryn Walker, teacher, J.E. Norris, Jr., Norman Knight.

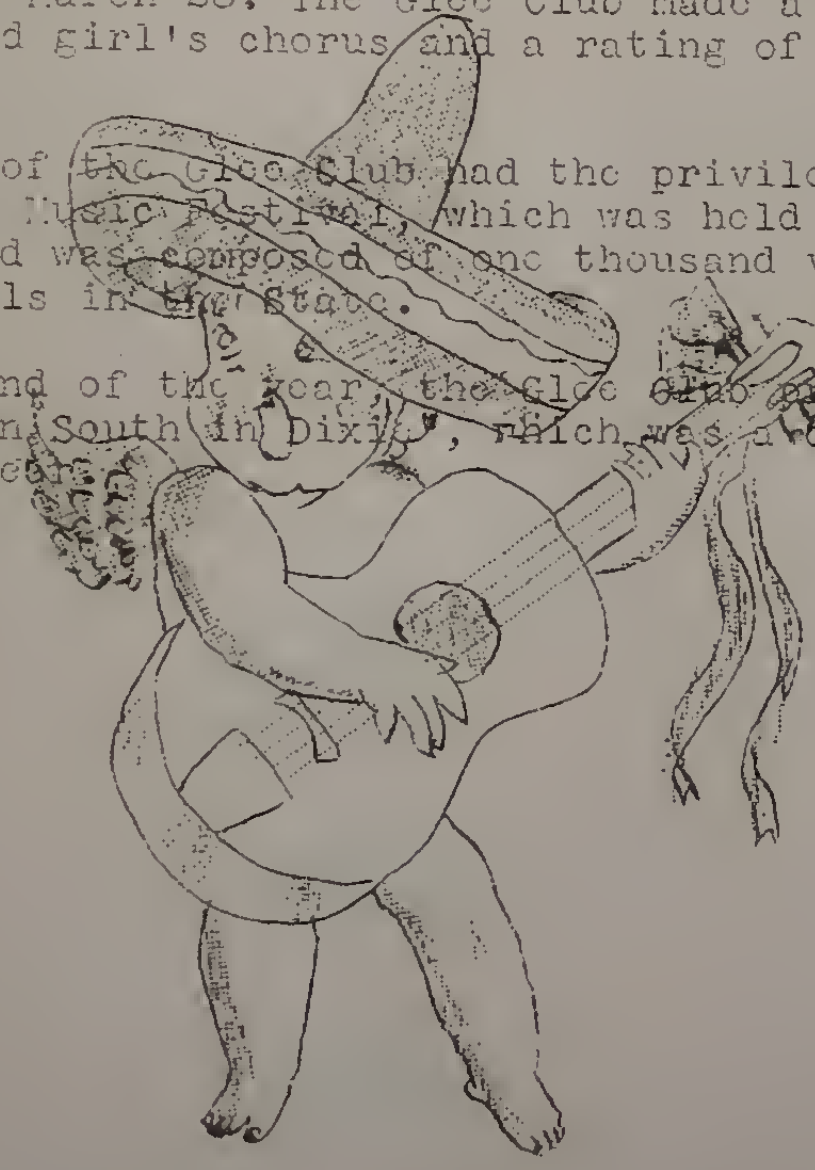
Left to right: Miss Kathryn Walker, instructor, Joseph Norcum, Norman Knight, Dan Hassell, John Lucian Eason, Roy Smith, Hal Chaplin, Herbert Liverman, J.E. Norris, Jr., Kathryn Morris, Edward Hamilton, Samuel Holloway, Mary Alice Cohoon, Nancy Meekins, Tillie Norris, Sally Bateman, Nan Chaplin.

Columbia High Glee Club

The mixed Glee Club of Columbia High School, under the direction of Miss Catherine Walker, has participated in the various musical programs during the school year. The Glee Club is composed of fifty four members. They have been on several trips and have sung at all the churches in Columbia.

The first appearance of the Glee Club was in a chapel program in December followed by a Christmas Musicale at the Parent-Teachers meeting. The Glee Club accepted an invitation to sing at B. T. U. convention in Edenton in March and every one seemed to enjoy the service.

Since Christmas, the Glee Club has been striving for attainment in the District Music Contest which was held in Elizabeth City on March 28. The Glee Club made a rating of II on solo. trio, and girl's chorus and a rating of III on mixed chorus.



Two members of the Glee Club had the privilege of attending the State Music Festival, which was held in Greensboro on April 15-16 and was composed of one thousand voices from the various schools in the State.

Toward the end of the year, the Glee Club presented an operetta "Way Down South in Dixie", which was a climax for its work in the year.

Triangular Debates

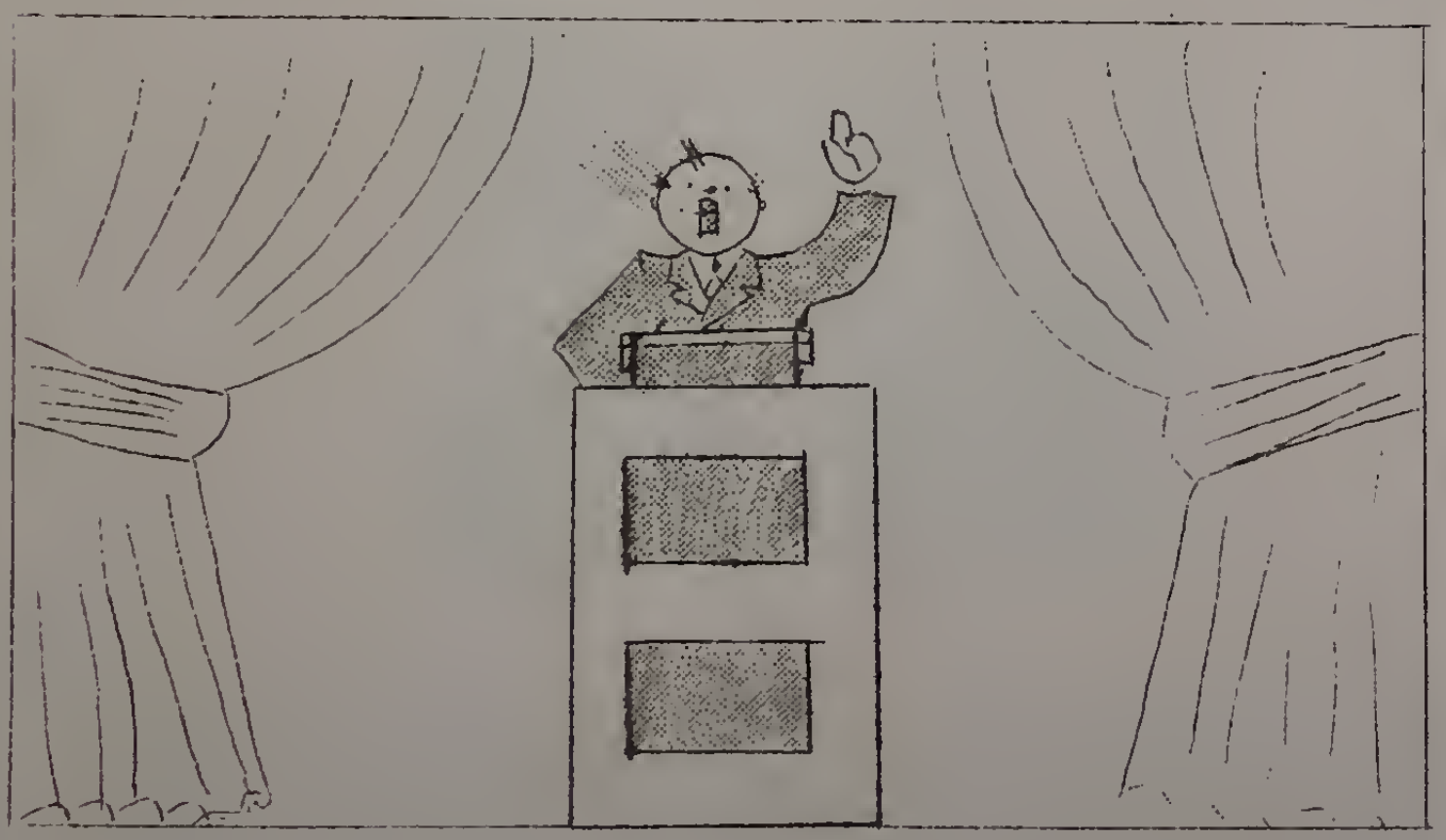
The topic for debate this year is:"Resolved; The United States should adopt a policy of requiring one year's military training for all able bodied men before they reach the age of twenty three!"

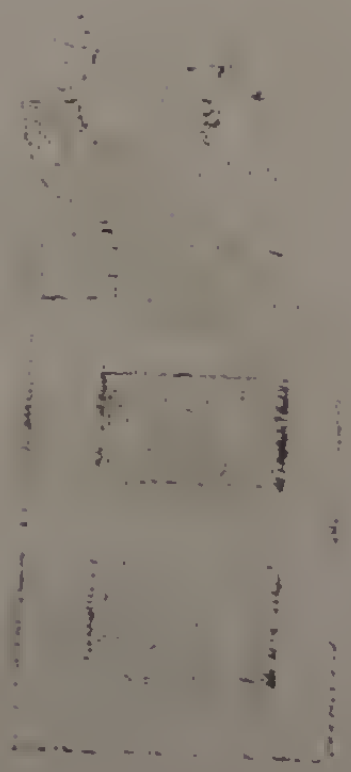
Columbia, Bath and Roper High Schools were at first in the triangle for this area, but due to extra curricular activities Roper was forced to withdraw and Conetoe High School substituted. The debate was held on March 31. The Columbia affirmative and Bath negative debated in Conetoe. The Columbia negative and Conetoe affirmative debated in Bath and the Bath affirmative and Conetoe negative debated in Columbia.

Columbia won in Bath and Conetoe and Bath won in Columbia.

The Columbia debating teams are composed of: affirmative; J. E. Norris, Jr. and Delmar Owens with David Garrett as alternate. Negative; Nancy Meekins and Patti Simmons with Mary Alice Cohoon as alternate.

The Columbia High team went to Chapel Hill on Thursday, April 17 to take part in the finals.





Staff of the Annual

Left to right: front row , Samuel Holloway, Mary Catherine Reynolds, Sterlyn Cooper, Miss Hortense Boomer, Mary Alice Cohoon, Kathryn Morris, Nancy Meekins; back row, Ernest Chesson, Jr., Juanita Brickhouse, Roy Smith, and J.E. Norris, Jr.

Staff of the Paper

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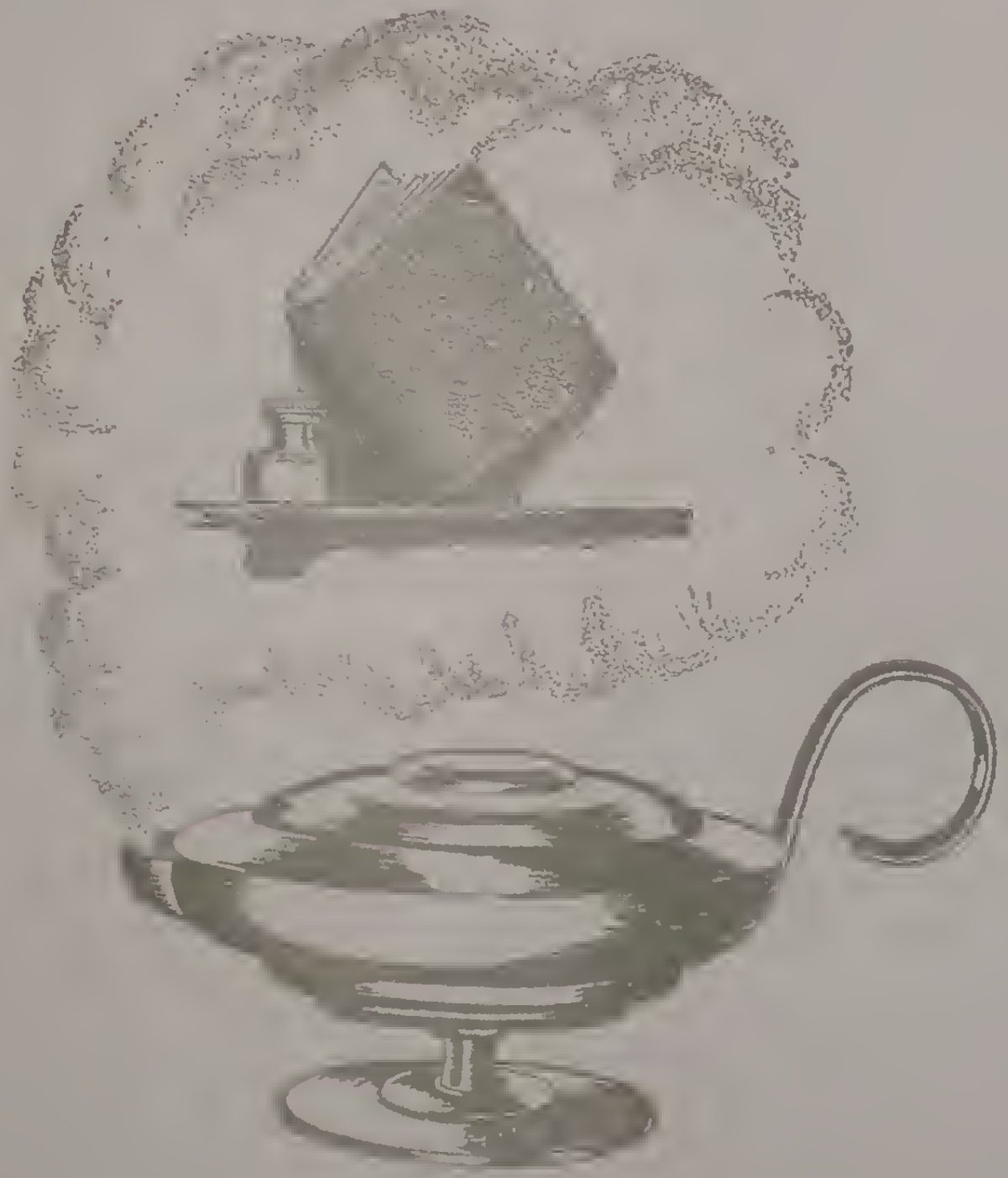

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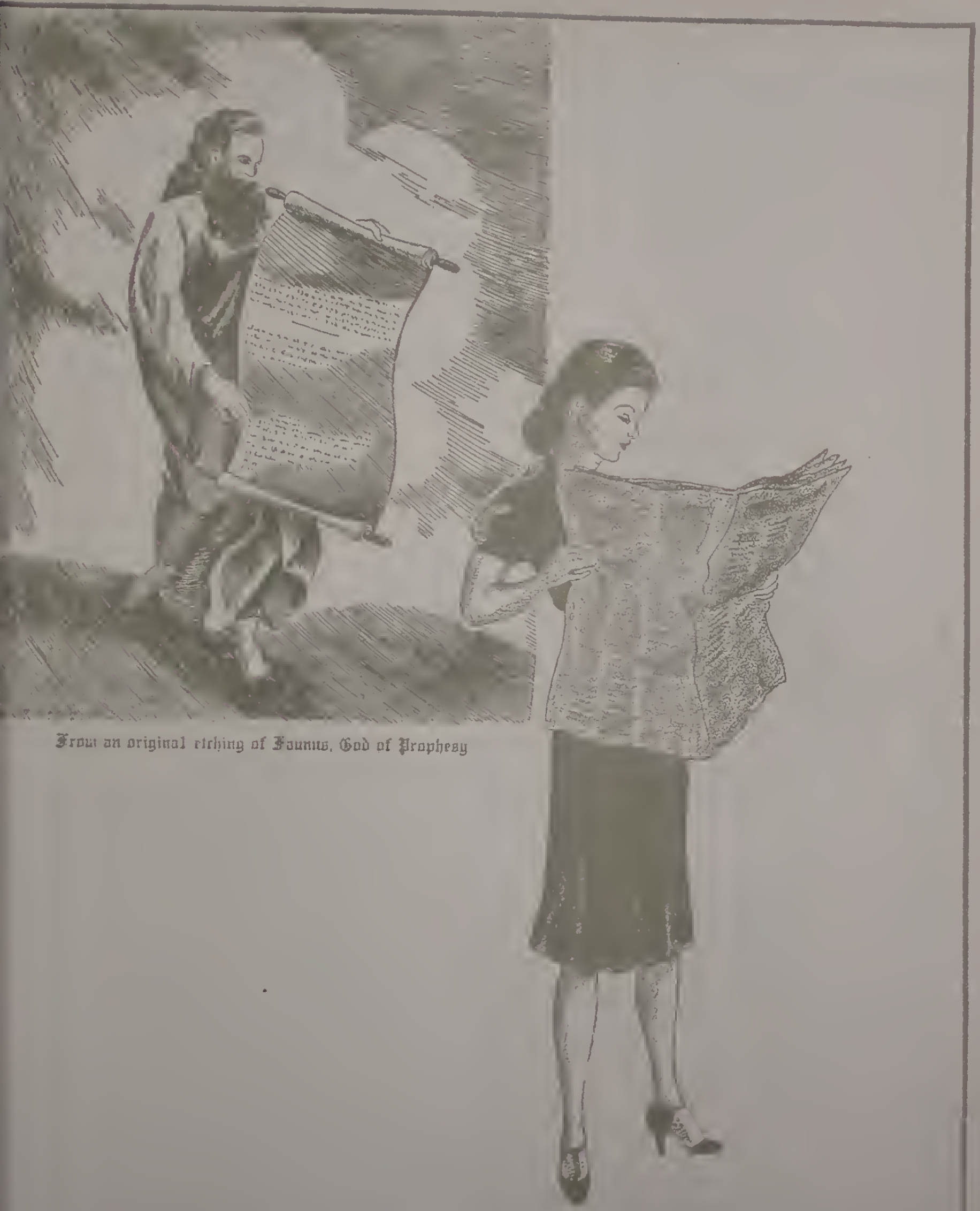

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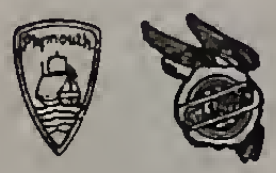

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"Hey, Mom, the ladder just fell down in the back yard."
"Well, I'm baking a cake. If the ladder is too heavy to lift it yourself, call your dad."
"He knows it. He's hanging from the edge of the roof and yelling for help."

Sergeant(after war game)Private Jones, didn't you know you were exposing yourself to an imaginary enemy only 250 yard away?"
Private Jones:"That's right sergeant. I was standing behind an imaginary rock 25 feet high."

Aviator(after landing in a tree) "I was trying to make a new record."
Farmer; "You did. You are the first man ever to come down that tree without first going up it."

Dentist: "Stop making faces because I haven't touched the tooth yet."
Patient:"Maybe not, but you are standing on my corn."

"That's the guy I'm laying for," siad the hen as the farmer passed in the barnyard.

Aline: What's the hurry?What are you running for?
Delmar: I'm trying to stop a fight.
Aline: Who's fighting?
Delmar: Me and Haywood.

The two brothers had been argueing for some time.
Bob:"I ought to know. Don't I go to school stupid?"
Bill:"Sure, and you come home that way too."

Employer: "Surely, Miss Jenk you know the King's English."
Typist: "Of course he is. Whoever said he wasn't."

Customer: "I dont like these pbotographs at all. I look like an Ape."
Photographer: "You should have thought of that before you had the pictures made."

Guest: "Will you pass the nuts professor?"
Absent minded professor: "I suppose so but I should flunk most of them."

Neighbors: "I heard your baby bawling last night."
Parent: "Yes, after four bawls he got his base warmed.

WHAT????
did the soap sayto the bathtub?....I'll give you a ring Saturday night.
did the grass seed say?..I want to be a lawn.
did the carpet say to the floor?... Don't move. I've got you covered.
did the mayonnaise say to the ice box?....Shut the door! I'm dressing.
did one flat tire say to another?...pssst!

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Grandpop: "I ain't decided yet. I'm dickering with two or three of them patent medecine companies."

Bob: "I think you have on too much rouge."

Betty: "That's not rouge. I'm just healthy."

Bob: "Well your left cheek is healthier than your right one."

Mrs: "Where is the car?"

Mr: "Did I drive it down town? I thought it was odd. I got out and turned to thank the man that gave me a lift and he was gone.

Zeke: "About how long has your son been in college?"

Hiram: "About four cows, two horses, two loads of pumpkins, and forty bales of hay."

Hows everything?

"Corking," said the bottle.
"Punk," said the firecracker.
"Fine," said the judge.
"Grand," said the piano.

Daffynitions

Treble- what bad boys get in.
Clef- what people fall off of.
Oboes- tramps.
Bow- a date.
Cello- six delicious flavors.

Voice:(on stage) "Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo?"

Voice:(from afar)I'm in the balcony. Its cheaper.

I wish I were a kangaroo
Despite his funny stances
I'd have a place to put the junk
My girl hands me at dances.

Joe: What would you say to a pretty girl who is so nervous she jumps into the nearest mans arms if she is frightened?

J. E.: I'd say,'BOO'.

Miss Gibbs: Do you know what termites do?

M.C.R.: Naw.

Miss G.: That's right.

Miss Boomer: What are the three words most used by students?

Creston: I don't know.

Miss Boomer: Correct.

"Pop, I've raised that two dollars I've needed so long!"

"Good work, son. A boy worth his salt should become independent of his father as early as possible. Where did you get it?"

"Borrowed it from Mom."

Horrold:"Do you know the difference between a trolley and a taxi?"

M.C.R.:"No!"

Horrold:"Good. We'll take a trolley."

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There was a little girl
Who had a little smile,
She sent it to a little boy
Who sat across the aisle.
He wrote a little note,
But a made a little slip,
And they both went together
On a little office trip.

New Minister: "What did you think of the sermon on Sunday, Miss Jones?"

Miss Jones: "Very good,sir. We didn't really know what sin was until you came here."

The Cynic

The one ring circus was visiting a town in the hills. The folks there recognized all the instruments except the slide trombone.

One old settler watched the player for some time. Then he said,"There's a trick to it. He ain't really swallowing it."

"What are those queer looking statues over there?"asked the visitor to the city.

"Those aren't statues,"said the Londener. "They are workmen busy on one of the new government jobs."

Visitor-"This isn't a dwarf. He's over five feet tall."

Showman-"That's the wonderful thing about him. He's the tallest dwarf in existence!"

J. E.-"I can't decide whether to go to a mind reader or to a palmist."

M. C. R.-"Go to a palmist. Its obvious you have a palm."

Be it ever so homely, there's no face like your own.

Humor is the foam on the wave of life.

Hodges:"Well old man, I'm afraid you're licked now."

Dalton,Jr.:(dizzily)"Yes, I should have got her in the first round when she was alone.

"Does a giraffe get a sore throat when he gets his feet wet?"

"Yes, but not until the next week."

Margaret:"Don't you sailors have a special ship where you get your hair cut? A sort of floating barber shop?"

Piechocki:"No there ain't no such ship in our fleet."

Margaret:"Then what are these clipper ships I've heard so much about?"

Ruth: "Did you hear how Margaret lost her good name?"

Creston:"No what happened?"

Ruth:"She married a guy by the name of Piechocki."

"Waiter, have you forgotten me?"

"No. You are the stuffed calf's head."

I am nineteen years old and nine feet five inches tall. Is there any chance of my becoming a six footer?

There must be a mistake in the above.

RISKA-KISS

A very pretty wedding was solemnized in the Sacred Heart Church on Tuesday of last week, when George Kiss and Miss Josephine Riska were united.

Elmer:"What's an example of nothing?"

Ronel:"You."

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